Wetlands Board

Mission:

The Wetlands Board administers the policies and laws that apply to the County's tidal wetlands, as provided in Title 28.2, Chapter 13, *Code of Virginia*. Enforcement of the Wetlands Ordinance is the sole responsibility of the Wetlands Board which has the authority to issue "Stop Work" orders, require restoration of damaged wetlands, and level appropriate civil charges up to \$10,000.

Goals:

- It is the Board's responsibility to hold public hearings on requests for construction within tidal wetlands, evaluate such request in terms of the ecological significance of the shoreline construction, and either grant or deny the wetlands permit.
- Provide advice and information to County citizens concerning wetlands protection.
- Permit review includes site inspections prior to approval and upon completion.
- Board members and staff attend training seminars and workshops to increase their knowledge and expertise of wetland laws and shoreline construction techniques.
- The Stormwater Management Division and Virginia Institute of Marine Sciences provide staff support services.

Implementation Strategies for FY2005:

No new strategies proposed.

Budget Issues:

For FY2005, funding reflects minor increases based on past expenditure history.

General Fund Expenditures	FY2001 Actual Expenditures	FY2002 Actual Expenditures	FY2003 Actual Expenditures	FY2004 Original Budget	FY2004 Expected Appropriations	FY2005 Adopted Budget
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Contractual Services	3,833	5,472	5,207	4,800	4,800	6,300
Internal Services	320	26	21	300	300	250
Other Charges	1,037	1,098	625	800	800	1,150
Materials & Supplies	434	602	640	750	750	750
Activity Total	5,624	7,198	6,493	6,650	6,650	8,450
Percentage Change	-16.46%	27.99%	-9.79%	2.42%	N/A	27.07%
FTE's						
Management Professional/Technical Admin/Clerical Trades & Crafts Total	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -
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